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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: NANBA, et al.

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For : ZOOM LENS AND IMAGE TAKING APPARATUS USING THE SAME

SUBMISSION AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Kindly enter and consider the following Submission and Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.114 in the above-identified application. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) was filed on March 9, 2004, in response to the Notice of Allowance and Notice of Allowability mailed on December 10, 2003.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.